

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 19 September 65 19/0015Z	2. LOCATION Yokohama, Japan
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION A/C
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Regarded as A/C by reporting officials.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 - 10 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Golf ball flying East at 1815. Two objects white and yellow. No tail, sound or exhaust. Initial sighting at 80 deg elevation, in SW. Flight to East. Faded gradually. Sighting 5-10 minutes. Used Binoculars. No additional detail. Witness also observed object on 28 August. <u>Observation of UFO's is individuals hobby.</u> Three objects observed this night. Two in flight to SE, third to NW. (This group of objects evaluated as two satellites and one A/C). Not included in evaluation of report for statistical purposes. Possible A/C sighting. Possible Satellite observation Evaluated as A/C in view of the investigating officials report.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual (BX)	
7. COURSE Easterly	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

19 Sept 65  
HEADQUARTERS  
FIFTH AIR FORCE (PACAF)  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96525



REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: DOT

SUBJECT: Reported Unidentified Flying Object

23 SEP 1965

TO: DI (Col Hammer)

1. Reference is made to the attached memorandum from 5FDAS with an excerpt from the Staff Duty Officer report of 19 Sep 65 concerning a reported possible UFO.
2. I appointed an officer to make a preliminary investigation and his report is also attached.
3. Since the Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Hq USAF has direct and immediate interest in the facts pertaining to reported UFOs, and since the Air Force regulation was published by Intelligence, I am forwarding these reports to you for any additional action that may be necessary.

*Robert O. Fricks*  
ROBERT O. FRICKS  
COLONEL, USAF  
Dir of Ops & Tng

2 Atch  
1. Memo, 5FDAS, 20 Sep 65  
2. Report, Maj Heath, 22 Sep 65

TO: FTD (Det 4)  
APO US Forces 96328

7 Oct 65

Forwarded for your review and appropriate action.

*Robert W. Bowen*  
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TO: FTD (TDE), Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

Forwarded for your information and appropriate action.

*C. R. Hippenstiel*  
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Colonel, USAF  
Commander

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REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: 5FDAS

20 SEP 1965

SUBJECT: Excerpt from Staff Duty Officer Report

TO: 5FODC

The following excerpt from the 5AF Staff Duty Officer Report for 19 September 1965 is furnished for your information and any action deemed appropriate:

"1825 - Received call from E-6 N. G. Shields, Yokohama. He stated the following: "Spotted UFO about size of a golf ball flying west to east at 1815 hours."

*Arthur I. Walker*  
ARTHUR I. WALKER, LtCol, USAF  
Director of Administrative Services

Colonel Jones *X*

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20 Sep.

CD Fricks

Perhaps one of our people  
should call the above individual  
for assistance with club with  
intelligence on this obs.

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HEADQUARTERS  
FIFTH AIR FORCE  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
APO 925 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA



REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: 5FOOT-0-D  
SUBJECT: "UFO" Sighting

22 September 1965

TO: 5FODC

1. Following report is submitted in accordance with AFR 200-2:

a. Description of the object(s):

- (1) Round object
- (2) Size of golf ball
- (3) White and yellow
- (4) Two
- (5) N/A
- (6) N/A
- (7) No tail or exhaust
- (8) No sound
- (9) N/A

b. Description of course of object(s):

- (1) Observer noticed movement in ship
- (2) 80° southwest
- (3) No estimate
- (4) West to east
- (5) Gradually out of sight
- (6) 5 to 10 minutes

c. Manner of observation:

- (1) Naked eye
- (2) Used binoculars, but object could be seen clearly with naked eye.
- (3) Seen from ground

d. Time and date of sighting:

- (1) 0915Z, 19 September 1965
- (2) Dusk

e. Location of observer: directly across from Yokohama Navy Base Exchange.

f. Identifying Information on Observer(s):

(1) EMI N.G. Shields, Yokohama Shore Patrol, US Navy  
Housing Activity, Yokohama, Japan

(2) The individual concerned was deemed as one of the most reliable men in the organization by Chief Mendenhall, Naval Security Group Activity.

g. Weather and winds: aloft conditions at time and place of sightings.

(1) Observer stated weather was clear in area of sighting, however, object disappeared in clouds on the horizon.

(2) Winds aloft:

850 MB (5,000 feet)	260/10
700 MB (10,000 ft)	270/20
500 MB (20,000 ft)	260/45
300 MB (30,000 ft)	250/70
200 MB 40,000 ft)	240/80

(3) 10 - 0 40 - 0/0 thin scattered 10 - 0 40 - 0/0

(4) Visibility 14

(5) 1/10

(6) Negative

(7) 0 - 10,000 feet - 20°C  
10,000ft - 15,000ft - 4°C  
15,000ft - 35,000ft - 44°C  
35,000ft - 50,000ft - 22°C

h. Negative

i. Negative

j. The location of the sighting is in the general area of the Tokyo International Airport and Atsugi Naval Air Station.

k. It appears that the referenced sighting being in the vicinity of two large operating airfields could possibly be a high flying aircraft. This, however, could not be confirmed. Friendly air traffic is not carried on Air Defense plotting boards after initial identification because of the large number of such tracks processed. In addition, under normal conditions no requirement exists to show such tracks.

In talking to the individual making the report, this is presently an active hobby as evidenced by an attached copy of another report made by the same individual on 28 August 1965 (atch 1). I questioned the individual as to why this sighting was reported to Fifth Air Force. Quote: The Fifth Air Force issued a statement that any sightings of 'Unidentified Objects' would be reported to Headquarters Fifth Air Force. UNQUOTE. The individual also stated that he watches nightly when he is off duty. It appears with the influx of new sightings being highlighted in the news personnel are allowing their imagination to run rampant. As no additional reports have been received from the area from other sources these sightings could possibly be high flying jet aircraft.

*Andrew H. Heath*

ANDREW H. HEATH, MAJOR, USAF  
Chief, Ground Environment and Training Section 1 Atch  
a/s

TOUR OF DUTY REPORT		FROM (HOUR)	TO (HOUR)	DATE STARTED
TO:	FROM: State Duty Title, (e.g., Charge of Quarters, Staff Duty Officer, etc.)	1900	0800	23 Aug 65
	Staff Duty Officer			
PERSONAL INVENTORY (Initial if applicable)		<input type="checkbox"/> CQ INSTRUCTION BOOK <input type="checkbox"/> SING IN/OUT REGISTER <input type="checkbox"/> CQ KEYS <input type="checkbox"/> ALARM CLOCK <input type="checkbox"/> ARMBAND <input type="checkbox"/> LOCATOR FILE <input type="checkbox"/> FLASHLIGHT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Designate)		
TIME	CHRONOLOGICAL LISTING OF DUTIES, EVENTS, AND ACTION TAKEN (Use reverse side if necessary)			
1900	Reported to duty			
1915	<p>Flying object reported by Mr. Shields BMT 1 USN. at <del>Rowan</del> area, across the street from <del>Rowan</del> in charge. The object was moving rapidly from NE to NW. This is the 3rd day that the object was reported. The first day, it was reported at 1945 moving from NW to SE. The second day at 2020 moving from NW to SE.</p> <p>1915 Entry: Called Capt Hawkins and Sgt Mehalchick to ascertain their action if any. Sgt Mehalchick advised that he reported the incident to the Command Center. Item subsequently extracted &amp; forwarded to 5FOCX for info &amp; any action they deem appropriate.</p> <p>EF 30/8/65</p>			
OFFICE PHONE NR	TYPE OR PRINT NAME AND GRADE	SIGNATURE		
44458	Hawkins, James R	James R. Hawkins		
44376	Mehalchick, BERNARD A	Bernard A. Mehalchick		

OFFICE PHONE NR	TYPE OR PRINT NAME AND GRADE
444-58	Hawkins, James R

14376      Mthalibek, BERNARD A.

**SIGNATURE** James R. Hawkins  
Benson (C) G. G. Hawkins